



Parks and Recreation Committee
Regular Meeting
Minutes, July 18, 2016; 4:30 PM
Council Chambers

ITEM 1

CALL TO ORDER: 4:30 PM – The meeting was called to order by Chair Jeff Dobbs. Committee members present were Greg Veilleux, Eric Ankrom, John Kelly and Committee Liaison Public Works Director Chip Reeves. Others in attendance were Jenny Bishop of the Bar Harbor Chamber of Commerce, Daniel Doiron of the Vettes of Coastal Maine, Stephanie Clement of the Friends of Acadia and Melinda Rice of the Jesup Memorial Library.

ITEM 2

A. Excused Absence(s): None.

ITEM 3

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Mr. Ankrom moved, with second by Mr. Veilleux, to approve the Agenda; motion passed (3-0).

ITEM 4

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of June 6, 2016. Mr. Veilleux moved, with second by Mr. Ankrom, to approve the Minutes; motion passed (3-0).

[For clarity to these Minutes, a voting Committee member arrived at this point in the meeting.]

ITEM 5
REGULAR BUSINESS

A. Request from the Bar Harbor Chamber of Commerce to Hold an Acadia Night Sky Solar Viewing on the Village Green from 1:00 PM to 3:30 PM on Friday, September 23, 2016.

Ms. Bishop represented the applicant in support of its application. The application fee and insurance liability certificate have been received. Ms. Bishop provided an overview of the event. No rain date was requested. Chair Dobbs reviewed the application using the Findings of Fact Sheet. Mr. Veilleux moved, with second by Mr. Ankrom, to approve the application; motion passed (4-0).

B. Request from the Vettes of Coastal Maine (Sponsor of Wonder View Inn) to Hold its Annual Car Display on the Athletic Field from 8:00 AM to 12 Noon on Saturday, June 3, 2017.

Mr. Doiron represented the applicant in support of its application. The application fee and insurance liability certificate have been received. Review of the application for this annual event using the Findings of Fact Sheet was waived. Mr. Ankrom moved, with second by Mr. Veilleux, to approve the application; motion passed (4-0).

C. Request from the Friends of Acadia to Hold an Acadia Centennial Celebration with L.L. Bean on the Village Green from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM on Saturday, August 6, 2016.

Ms. Clement represented the applicant in support of its application. The application fee and insurance liability certificate have been received. The Committee considered member Mr. Kelly's association with the applicant and found no conflict with his participation. The L.L. Bean will be on hand for one afternoon. Mr. Kelly inquired about the business's marketing and Acadia National Park pass information. A discussion ensued, and it was directed that no coupons or credit applications may be issued, but that free trinkets would be allowed.

Chair Dobbs reviewed the application using the Findings of Fact Sheet. Mr. Veilleux moved, with second by Mr. Ankrom, to approve the application with the condition that neither coupons or credit applications would be allowed; motion passed (3-0), with Mr. Kelly abstaining.

D. Request from Acadia Community Theater (Sponsor of Jesup Memorial Library) to Perform Shakespeare in the Park on Grant Park from 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM on Saturday, August 27, 2016.

Ms. Rice represented the applicant in support of its application. The application fee and insurance liability certificate have been received. Jesup Memorial Library is the non-profit partner to this application. There will be no fund raising. Mr. Veilleux remarked that it is nice to see cultural events on the parks rather than commercial promotions. Chair Dobbs reviewed the application using the Findings of Fact Sheet. Mr. Kelly moved, with second by Mr. Veilleux, to approve the application; motion passed (4-0).

E. Other Discussion.

- Fathers' Day Concert on Agamont Park (sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce) – it was observed that the musical group "Flash in the Pans Community Steel Band" that performed at this event on June 19, 2016, had vehicles on the lawn to anchor a tent, band promotional signage was on site, there were sales of music and donations were solicited and accepted. These were not in compliance with the approved permit for this event.
- Park Street Playground – Chair Dobbs reported that Andy Shea of the Acadian Little League has recommended that the playground be put up for sale. Limited discussion ensued.

ITEM 6
NEXT MEETING DATE
August 15, 2016

ITEM 5
ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by acclamation at 5:06 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Suzanne Banis
Recording Secretary